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Senate

The Senate met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth, we praise You for being the faithful initiator and inspiration of prayer. We need not search for You, because You have found us; we need not ask for Your presence, because You already are impinging on our minds and hearts; we need not convince You of our concerns, because You know what we need even before we ask. What we do need are humble and receptive minds. Awe and wonder grip us as we realize that You want our attention and want to use us to accomplish Your plans for our Nation. We openly confess the inadequacy of our limited understanding. Infuse us with Your wisdom.

The week ahead is filled with crucial issues to be debated and decided. Reveal Your will for what is best for our Nation. We yield our minds to think, and then communicate, Your thoughts. Invade our attitudes with Your patience so that we will be able to work effectively with those who differ with us. Help us to listen to others as attentively as we want them to listen to us. In the midst of controversy keep us unified in the bond of our greater commitment to be servant-leaders of our Nation.

As we press on with the work You have given us to do here, we commit to You the care of loved ones and friends who need Your physical healing and spiritual strength. In Your holy name. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, today there is a period for morning business until 2 p.m., with the following Senators controlling debate: Senator DASCHLE or his designee controlling the first 90 minutes, Senator COVERDELL or his designee in control of the second 90 minutes.

At 2 o'clock we resume consideration of Calendar No. 201, Senate Joint Resolution 21, proposing a constitutional amendment to limit congressional terms. No votes will occur today; however, Senators are expected to debate the joint resolution and pending amendments. A cloture motion was filed on the committee amendment on Friday and, under the consent, that vote will occur tomorrow at 2:15. Following that vote there will be a vote on the passage of the health insurance reform bill. So there will be two consecutive rollcall votes beginning at 2:15.

In accordance with rule XXII, Senators have until 1 o'clock today to file first-degree amendments and until 12:30 tomorrow to file second-degree amendments to the committee amendment to the congressional term limits resolution.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, was leader time reserved?

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. THOMAS). It was. The majority leader is recognized.

TRIBUTE TO BROOK BERRINGER AND TOBEY LAKE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, today is a very sad day in the northwest Kansas community of Goodland. For today is the day when much of the community

will gather to say their final farewells to one of Goodland's favorite sons.

Much of America came to know Brook Berringer for his leadership on the football field, and for the role he played in helping to quarterback the Nebraska Cornhuskers to back-to-back national championships in 1994 and 1995.

More important than being a champion on the field, however, is being a champion off the field.

And in the days that have followed the tragic death of Brook and his friend and former Goodland resident Tobey Lake, countless Kansans and Nebraskans have testified to the fact that Brook was a champion in all aspects of his life.

"Unassuming," "modest," "role model," "a great kid"; these are some of the words that Brook's family, friends, teachers, and coaches have used to describe him. Brook used his status as a football hero to make a difference in the lives of others.

He was active in church and charitable activities, and was a dedicated member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

He returned to Goodland often during his college years to visit with family and friends, and to provide an inspiration to young people.

Brook's tragic death occurred just 2 days before the National Football League draft, in which he surely would have been selected. In a gesture typical of this outstanding young man, Brook had said that he hoped he would be selected by Kansas City or Denver, so he could remain close to home.

Mr. President, as I think about Brook Berringer, I am reminded of the famous poem by A.E. Housman entitled "To an Athlete Dying Young."

The last four lines of that poem read:

Now you will not swell the rout
Of lads that wore their honors out
Runners whom renown outran
And the name died before the man.

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